

As you can see from the supporting documents in the Avoletta's case file, the Avoletta children had severe disabilities caused, and exasperated by, the unsafe water damaged building conditions and poor Indoor Air Quality at the Torrington Public Schools. The children's two physicians informed the school district that it was medically contraindicated for the children to remain in attendance at those poorly maintained physical facilities. The state, through the Torrington Public School District, however, refused to provide an alternative free appropriate education to the children in adequate and safe facilities, thereby necessitating legal action by the Avolettas to enforce the fundamental right of the children under Connecticut's Constitution and applicable state statutes.

On March 22, 2010, the Connecticut Supreme Court has affirmed that all children fundamental right under Connecticut's Constitution to a minimal quality of education to be provided by the state through its local public school districts in adequate and safe physical facilities. The Avoletta children were denied this right by the state and the Torrington Public School District. Therefore, their claim before the Claims Commissioner should have been granted. Please consider carefully the Avoletta's claim and today's ruling of the Connecticut Supreme Court and **REJECT** the Claims Commissioner's decision and **GRANT** to the Avoletta's the relief they requested.

Yours truly,
/s/Deborah G. Stevenson

Let me leave you with one thing: As previously stated last week in my letter that I sent by email to every member on this Judiciary Committee, you have been given a second chance and an extraordinary gift. The opportunity to do the right thing for my children and family, for a fair resolution, and for law and justice. Really, all I ever wanted was for the boys to receive their basic minimal right to an education that every child in the State of CT receives. I appreciate your time.

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